

Ninth-Grade Expository Direct Writing Assessment

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TEACHERS: PLEASE READ THIS PAGE ALOUD TO THE STUDENTS.

- You have ninety (90) minutes to write.
- Remember that expository writing explains or informs. Your essay should have an introduction, body and a conclusion. Use supporting details and examples.
- Use scratch paper to list and to organize ideas before you begin writing your rough draft.
- Use standard English, not email abbreviations (LOL, TX, @).
- Complete your final draft on the provided response form.
- You must use **black ink**.
- Write neatly. Draw a line through any error and rewrite. Do not use a white correction pen or fluid.
- You may use a classroom dictionary or thesaurus.
- When you have finished your paper, reread it to make sure that you have said what you want to say.

Expository Prompt Background:

Writing Assignment: